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New Continuation-in-Part U.S. Patent Application
Title: METHOD OF INCREASING THE EXTENT OF
ABSORPTION OF TIZANIDINE
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 40 pages, including title page, 14 independent claims, 39 claims total, and Abstract page.
2. Drawings - one (1) sheet of drawings (Figure 1).
3. Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
4. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$ 750.00
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Independent Claims	14	-	3	11	x \$84	924.00
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5. This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Office regarding the date for submitting the application filing fee.
6. **With the exception of the filing fee**, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-916.

This application is a continuation-in-part of prior Application No. 09/994,837, filed November 28, 2001. This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

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